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SUBJECT: SOVIET JOINT VENTURES IN SPAIN

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1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM CURRENT SPANISH COMMERCIAL DIRECTORY FOR SPANISH/SOVIET FIRM "PESCONSA" (PESQUERIAS ESPANOLAS SOVIETICAS CONJUNTAS, SA): ADDRESS-ALCALA 30/32, MADRID 14; FOUNDED-APRIL 29, 1975; PURPOSE-EXPLOITATION AND COMMERCIALIZATION OF FISH; STOCK ISSUED-5,600 SHARES AT 1,000 PESETAS/SHARE, OR 5,600,000 PESETAS TOTAL; PRESIDENTS-YURI V. TIMOFEEV (SOVIET) AND JAVIER ZULUETA DE HOZ (SPANISH), VICE-PRESIDENTTS: RAFAEL RIVA SUARTIA (SPANISH AND IORITI BYTCHKOV (SOVIET), COUNSELORS: JOSE ANTONIO HERNANDEZ SALINAS AND CELSO BARREIROS RODRIGUEZ. EMBASSY HAS OBTAINED SECOND ADDRESS FOR FIRM: PASEO DE LA CASTELLANA 60. MADRID.

2. NMFS SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT FIRST SPANISH/SOVIET JOINT VENTURE IN FISHING AREA WAS "SOVHISPAN", FOUNDED IN BARCELONA JULY 3, 1971, UNCLASSIFIED

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WITH A CAPITAL OF 14 MILLION PESETAS. SOVIET FIFTY PERCENT OWNERSHIP SHARED BETWEEN SOVINTORG AND PRODINTORG FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATIONS, WHILE SPANISH HALF SHARED EQUALLY BETWEEN COMPANIA GENERAL DE TOBACOS DE FILIPINAS AND SOVIEDAD VAPORES SUARDIAZ. FIRM WAS FOUNDED PRINCIPALLY FOR PURPOSE SUPPLY AND PROVISIONING OF SOVIET FISHING FLEET IN CANARY ISLAND WATERS. ADDRESS OF FIRM IS JORGE MANRIQUE 1, SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE, CANARY ISLANDS.

HOWEVER ACCORDING PRESS ITEM MAIN OPERATIONS BASE IS LAS PALMAS. SOVIET DIRECTOR LISTED AS YURI V. TIMOFEEV (NOTE HIS ROLE IN "PESCONSA") AND SPANISH DIRECTOR AS JAIME SODUPE ROURE. PRESS REPORT CLAIMS (FEBRUARY 1976) SOVIETS HAVE ABOUT 400 BOATS, RANGING FROM 2000 TO 4000 TONS, FISHING IN AREA OF CARARIES AND AFRICAN COAST.

3. EMBASSY WILL SUPPLEMENT WITH OTHER INFORMATION AS DEVELOPED, PARTICULARLY ANYTHING LEARNED ABOUT JOINT WORK IN SQUID FISHING. EATON

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